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HERRING AND SHRIMP; REGIONAL FISHERIES AGREEMENT IN BRAZIL-  
GUIANAS FISHERY

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1. DURING DISCUSSION OF FISHERIES QUESTIONS OCTOBER 21,  
DCM ASKED EAMON GALLAGHER, EC COMMISSION'S DIRECTOR  
GENERAL FOR FISHERIES, WHETHER COMMISSION HAS GIVEN  
FURTHER THOUGHT TO US PROPOSAL FOR EARLY SCIENTIFIC CON-  
SULTATIONS ON HERRING STOCK IN NORTH ATLANTIC FISHERY  
AND AVAILABILITY OF SHRIMP IN FRENCH GUIANA FISHERY  
(REFTELS). DCM EMPHASIZED THAT, IN THE ABSENCE OF  
CONTRARY SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE FROM EC AS INTERESTED PARTY,  
WE WOULD HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO PROCEED WITH REDUCED  
HERRING ALLOCATION FOR EC VESSELS IN 1978.

2. GALLAGHER SAID THAT BECAUSE OF MANY OTHER PRE-  
OCCUPATIONS--E.G., ACTIVE NEGOTIATIONS WITH, INTER ALIA,  
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CANADIANS, NORWEGIANS, AND WEST AFRICAN COUNTRIES--HIS  
THINLY-SPREAD STAFF HAS NOT YET CONSIDERED IN DETAIL  
DESIRABILITY OF SCIENTIFIC DISCUSSIONS WITH U.S. HE  
AVERRED THAT EC MEMBER STATE EXPERTS ARE ALSO PREOCCUPIED  
WITH THESE OTHER FISHERY PROBLEMS. HE SAID THAT SINCE  
UNDER BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES COMMUNITY FISHERMEN WILL BE  
ALLOCATED ONLY A SMALL AMOUNT OF HERRING IN U.S. FISHERY

ZONE, QUESTION OF POSSIBLE CONSULTATIONS WITH U.S.  
ASSUMES FAIRLY LOW PRIORITY FOR COMMISSION AT PRESENT.  
GALLAGHER PROMISED, NONETHELESS, THAT HE AND HIS STAFF  
WILL ADDRESS THIS QUESTION, AND TRY TO PROVIDE US AN  
ANSWER, AS SOON AS SOME OF THEIR MORE PRESSING CONCERNS  
ARE DISPOSED OF.

3. IN SIMILAR VEIN, GALLAGHER RESPONDED TO DCM'S  
REMINDER THAT U.S. HAS ASKED EC TO CONSIDER EARLY DIS-  
CUSSION OF REGIONAL ASPECTS OF SHRIMP FISHERY OFF  
SOUTH AMERICA BY SAYING THAT THIS ISSUE, TOO, IS  
RELATIVELY LOW ON COMMUNITY'S LIST OF PRIORITIES AT  
PRESENT. HE SEEMED TO FEEL PERSONALLY, HOWEVER, THAT  
OVER TIME IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE TO DEVELOP REGIONAL  
AGREEMENT.

4. GALLAGHER WAS UNABLE TO GIVE US ESTIMATE OF WHEN  
EC MIGHT BE READY TO PROPOSE OPENING OF NEGOTIATIONS  
LEADING TO FORMAL US-EC AGREEMENT CONCERNING US FISHERY  
IN EC WATERS. HINTON

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